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SUBJECT: REQUESTED TRANSFER OF RADIOACTIVE COBALT-60 TO BRAZIL
DENIED

REFTEL: 05 STATE 231681

¶1. In response to reftel, Brazil's MFA has informed Scioff that the request, made by the NRC to CNEN (Brazilian Nuclear Regulatory Commission) on 12-06-05, to authorize Engalt Sistemas Medicos Ltda. to import sealed quantities of Co-60 from International Isotopes, Inc. was denied on 12-12-05 because Engalt is not licensed by CNEN to possess or use radioactive materials.

¶2. As regards Brazil's progress on the IAEA Code of Conduct for the Security and Protection of Radioactive Sources, the MFA has informed that Brazil possesses a system of import/export controls for radioactive sources which is absolutely compatible with the requisites of the "Code of Conduct" and the "Guidelines." Furthermore, Brazil is searching to establish administrative accords with principal commercial partners aiming to expedite and increase security in the exchange requests for consent and their responses. The MFA also reported that Brazil has indicated a point of contact for solicitations/responses, sent a note to the Director General of the IAEA supporting implementation of the Code of Conduct, and is sending a note in support of the Guidelines requisites.

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